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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: SHIBATA et al

Serial No.: 10/020,977

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For: Method And Apparatus For Detecting Defects

Art Unit: 2877

Examiner: G. Stock, Jr.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Mail Stop: Appeal (Patents Fee)
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 17, 2006

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated November 17, 2005 of the Primary Examiner, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 4 - 6, 11, 12, 21, 22, 25 and 26. The items below are appropriate:

The fee of \$500.00 for this Notice is enclosed.

A Petition for Extension of Time for filing this Notice is attached hereto, together with the appropriate fee.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli,

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Terry, Stout & Kraus, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 520.40997X00), and
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